

### **REMARKS**

Reconsideration of the subject application is respectfully requested. Claims 1-20 are rejected under 35 USC §112, second paragraph as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which Applicant regards as the invention. The Examiner concludes that "at the time the invention was made, "n" would have only had a definition of one or two." There is no reasonable clarity from Applicant's specification that "n" would have had a definition of any positive integer, for example, 3, 4, or 6.

Claim 21 is rejected under 35 USC §112, first paragraph, as failing to comply with the written description requirement. The Examiner states that because the specification is enabling only for  $n = 1$  or  $2$ , it does not reasonably provide an enablement for  $n =$  any positive integer.

The Examiner has indicated that all pending claims are allowable over the prior art. The Examiner further states that claims 1-20 would be allowable if rewritten or amended to overcome the rejections in 35 USC §112, second paragraph. The Examiner states that claim 21 would be allowable if rewritten or amended to overcome the rejections of 35 USC §112, first paragraph. The Examiner has not commented on claim 22, but Applicants believe that based on all of the Examiner's comments above, claim 22 is allowable presently.

Applicants have canceled claims 1 and 21 and amended the remaining independent claims in the application to require  $n = 1$  or 2. Accordingly, Applicants submit that all pending claims in the application overcome the rejection based on 35 USC §112 and have already been indicated by the Examiner to define over the prior art. Therefore, Applicants submit that the subject application is in condition for allowance and such action is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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